

**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE  
**Governor of the State of Texas**

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

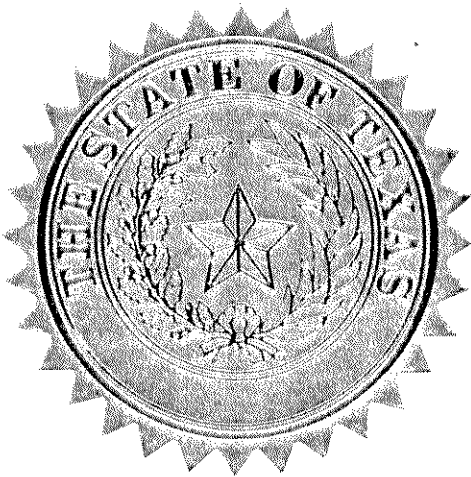
Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 3084 as passed by the Eightieth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

Currently, the Street Maintenance Sales Tax adopted by a municipality must be reauthorized every four years by voters. House Bill No. 3084 would overturn this important taxpayer protection by allowing the tax to remain in effect until the municipality requests a public vote, or five percent of registered voters, petition for an election.

By making the Street Maintenance Sales Tax permanent, House Bill No. 3084 shifts the balance of power away from those being taxed to the government. The burden of justifying whether a tax should exist should fall on government, not the governed.

Additionally, the percentage of registered voters required to initiate an election is too high. The five percent threshold would merely serve as an additional roadblock to taxpayer participation in their government.

Since the Legislature by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 15th day of June, 2007.

*Rick Perry*  
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RICK PERRY  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

*Roger Williams*  
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ROGER WILLIAMS  
Secretary of State

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